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REMARKS

This response is intended as a supplemental response to the non-final Office Action mailed April 24, 2006 and is further to Applicants' attorney's telephone interview with the Examiner on August 3, 2006. Applicants' attorney thanks the Examiner for the courtesies extended during the telephone interview. Further to the telephone interview, Applicants have herein amended claims 2-13. No new matter has been entered.

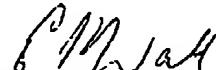
In view of both the amendments presented above and the following discussion, Applicants submit that all of the claims pending in the application are allowable.

It is to be understood that Applicants, by amending the claims, do not acquiesce to the Examiner's characterizations of the art of record or to Applicants' subject matter recited in the pending claims. Further, Applicants are not acquiescing to the Examiner's statements as to the applicability of the art of record to the pending claims by filing the instant responsive amendments.

If the Examiner believes that there are any unresolved issues requiring adverse final action in any of the claims now pending in the application, it is requested that the Examiner telephone Eamon J. Wall at (732) 530-9404 so that appropriate arrangements can be made for resolving such issues as expeditiously as possible.

Respectfully submitted,

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